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SPRING 2006 OPERATIONAL CONFERENCE IN MIAMI GRAVURE LEADS THE WAY

By Paul Sharkey, FLXON Inc.
Miami, Florida



On behalf of everyone at FLXON Inc, I want to thank you for participating in the PLGA Operational Conference March 1-3 2006 in Miami. We and our allied supplier companies felt this meeting was one of the most successful conferences ever held for the rotogravure printing industry.

Topics presented included everything from: "Why key brand owners like UNILEIVER, BENSON & HEDGES and MILLER BREWING should and do select rotogravure, to "Updating us on security technology."

Specific topics were:

- Why gravure matters to Brand Image
- Why gravure matters to Brand Security
- New Technology for managing the gravure process in and out of the pressroom
- Integrating the expertise of qualified suppliers into your manufacturing
- Operator training to better manage the process and improve the bottom line

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Jim Lepp named PLGA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Miami, Florida

The PLGA Board of Directors, at the Spring Operational Conference in Miami, March 3, 2006 elected Jim Lepp, as their new Executive Director, to replace retiring Bill Klein.

Jim is a 35 year veteran of the Flexible Packaging Industry with a strong background in Printing, Coating, and Laminating Machinery. He has held Sales Management positions with equipment manufacturing companies such as Webex, Paper Converting Machine Company, Chadwick Inc., and Machine Renovation Technology. He currently is the President and Owner of his own Used Equipment Brokerage and Consulting firm; Lepp & Associates, Inc.

A native of the state of Wisconsin, Jim and his family recently relocated to Naples, Florida to escape the harsh winters in his former home of Green Bay.

Jim is very excited about his new responsibilities and is looking forward to establishing strong working relationships with all current and future members.



Sixth Annual Print Quality Competition Awards

Gary Charles (left) of Avery Dennison receives Best of Show Award from President Ed Kozlowski

This year's competition had 103 entries, resulting in 52 winners. (See page 2 for winning entries).



WINNERS OF PLGA'S 2006 PRINT QUALITY AWARDS

Category	Winning Entry	Award Winner
01 Paperboard-Top Coated	Kent Mild	Alcan Packaging
02 Paperboard-Laminated	Gain Joyful Expressions	Smurfit-Stone Container
04 Special Structure-Printed	Seagram's Smooth	Smurfit-Stone Container
12 Film/Film Lamination-Process	M&M Holiday Message	Sonoco Flexible Packaging
13 Film/Film Lamination-Line	Oberto Teriyaki Beef Jerky	Nordenia USA Inc.
15 Paper/Film Lamination	M&M Star Wars	Sonoco Flexible Packaging
16 Foil/Paper Lamination	McCormick	Printpack Inc.
17 Pouches	Fast Fixin' Sausage Biscuits	Nordenia USA Inc.
19 Unsupported Foil	Plavix	Alcan Packaging Pharma
22 Reverse Printed (Honors)	All-Small & Mighty	Fort Dearborn Company
22 Reverse Printed	Mega Moose	SleeveCo, Inc.
24 Heat Shrinkable, less than 12%	Thomas Kinkade	Fort Dearborn Company
25 Heat Shrinkable, more than 13% (Honors)	Hellmann's 1/2 The Fat Sauce	Fort Dearborn Company
25 Heat Shrinkable, more than 13% (Honors)	Baja Rosa	SleeveCo, Inc.
25 Heat Shrinkable, more than 13%	Fancy Feast	Alcoa Flexible Packaging
31 Paper-Top Coated	Black Horse	Inland Label & Marketing
34 Film-Reverse Printed	Aquafina Flavor Splash	Diversapack
36 In Mold Label-Paper	Tide-Clean Breeze Detergent	Multi-Color Corporation
37 In Mold Label-Film	Purex-Lavender Fresh Detergent	Multi-Color Corporation
38 Heat Transfer Label (Honors)	American Chopper Big Gulp	Multi-Color Corporation
38 Heat Transfer Label (Honors)	Pfizer Strongid® C Feed	DI-NA-CAL Label Group
38 Heat Transfer Label	Dulux® Wallguard Paint	DI-NA-CAL Label Group
39 Glue Applied Label	Arizona Diet	Inland Label & Marketing
53 No Label Look	Heineken	Spear
64 Functional	Plavix	Alcan Packaging Pharma
71 Stamps (Honors)	Let's Dance Bailemos	American Packaging
71 Stamps	Ben Franklin Commemorative	Avery Dennison Security
72 Security Printing	Sapphire Blue 7's	Scientific Games Int'l
73 Functional (Honors)	Chemineaud Minuet	Gilbreth Packaging
73 Functional	AD-620 (RFID)	Avery Dennison Security
74 Special Effects/Novelty	Wrigley's Eclipse Midnight Cool	Alcan Packaging
75 Technical Achievement	Labatt Blue "The Cold One"	Multi-Color Corporation
75 Technical Achievement	AD-210 (RFID)	Avery Dennison Security
76 Use of Non-Solvent Based Inks	Henry Weinhard's Classic Dark	Inland Label & Marketing
77 Specialty Converting	Sapphire Blue 7's	Scientific Games Int'l
78 Gift Wrap	Circle Medallions	Plus Mark, Inc.
79 Flooring	Urban Setting™	Armstrong World
	Cottingham Scarlet	
81 Process	Wrigley's Eclipse Midnight Cool	Alcan Packaging
82 Materials (Honors)	Gleukos Performance Beverage	Ampac Flexibles
82 Materials	Rub 'N Smell	Gilbreth Packaging

International Print Quality Awards Winners: 2006

01 Paperboard-Top Coated	Benson & Hedges Special Lights	Alcan Packaging, Montreal
04 Special Structure-Printed	Camel Vegas - Slide Open Box	Alcan Packaging, Montreal
12 Film/Film Lamination-Process (Honors)	Panettone	Sipak Digital S.A., Argentina
12 Film/Film Lamination-Process	Chocolate Britt	CLP Packagings, Israel
14 Foil/Film Lamination	Celebration 2006	Sonoco Flexible, Manitoba
15 Paper/Film Lamination	M&M Star Wars	Sonoco Flexible
17 Pouches	Look What We Found	CLP Packagings, Israel
31 Paper-Top Coated	Presidente - Cerveza Tipo Pilsener	Editorial Padilla, Dominican Rep
33 Film Surface Printed	Crystal Springs	Editorial Padilla, Dominican Rep
75 Technical Achievement	Benson & Hedges Special Lights	Alcan Packaging, Montreal
77 Specialty Converting	Camel Vegas	Alcan Packaging, Montreal
81 Process	Pan Dulce Firenze	Sipak Digital S.A., Argentina

Best of Show Award: Avery Dennison Security Printing Division's Ben Franklin Commemorative Postage Stamp

Receiving a perfect 5.0 from the judges, this six color fine process work printed on both sides

in tight register, typified the outstanding capabilities of the gravure process.



BILL KLEIN RECIPIENT OF 2006 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Miami, Florida

On Thursday, March 2, 2006 Bill Klein, Executive Director of the Packaging and Label Gravure Association - Global, was presented with PLGA's Lifetime Achievement Award by



past President Randy Butler. Also, on that day, Bill announced to the Conference delegates his retirement as Executive Director. It was an emotionally charged event for all, culminating in a standing ovation from the floor.

Simply stated, Bill's accomplishments as PLGA Executive Director were many. Starting in 1998 with his taking over the helm of the small fledgling group, Bill, along with his wife Polly, put together nine successful Spring Conferences and three Fall Technical Conferences. Under his leadership the PLGA became widely recognized world wide.

Another major accomplishment was his building PLGA Membership from its initial dozen to the present 150 member companies. During this period the Packaging and Label Gravure Association became widely recognized as a lead-edge technical and marketing organization.

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Greetings from the President . . .

It is with sincere appreciation that I begin my term as President of the PLGA Global. I have participated in many of the various duties and functions of this fine organization. We are currently growing at a rate in strength and numbers that no other organization has experienced. More businesses are realizing the importance of our association in bettering their everyday work place environment. No other organization surpasses the knowledge that our Association brings to the table. The growing numbers attending our conferences speaks for itself. We truly have useful information to pass on to our members and ideas to share and exchange. The combined efforts of all add to the PLGA's commitment to stay on the leading edge of technology. Our Board of Directors is made up of seasoned veterans in all aspects to the industry. We strive to leave no stone unturned to keep our members current and one step ahead of the competition.

I would like to thank all who have participated in the past for sharing their expertise with the rest of us. It is these efforts that have made our Association successful. Our continued growth is dependent on the expertise of our members and their willingness to share that expertise with others. Everyone's participation is important to continue to bring the latest and greatest knowledge to our members. Keep up the great work and the association will continue to grow in ways we never thought possible.

I want to thank Bill Klein and his wonderful wife Polly for all the extras they have done for us over the years. Bill recently retired as Executive Director of PLGA Global and has been elected the Executive Director of the PLGA Global Educational Foundation. We know that Bill will thrive in this position as he has in all the others he has held.

In closing I would like to once again thank all of our members for their participation and welcome all the new comers to a truly unique group of professionals who are leaders in their fields. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Charlotte, NC at the Fall Technical Conference in October.

Ed Kozlowski

New PLGA Global members since October 2005:

AABACH Graphic Systems GmbH & Co. UG	Drent Goebel North America, Inc.
Alcan Packaging Food Flexibles	Food & Drug Packaging (trade magazine)
Alcan Packaging Pharma Center	Graphic Security Systems
Bemis	Hi-Tech Color, Inc.
Cavalier Ink, Inc.	Martin Automatic Inc.
CCL Label	Tekatex
Comexi North America	Tetrachrome S. A.
CPP Expo	Uteco North America
Dominion Packaging Inc.	

Ed Kozlowski, President, has been in the printing industry for over thirty-two years. He is Alcan Packaging's Technical/Sales Support Manager to the Wm. Wrigley, Jr. Company. Ed accepted this exciting new opportunity in January of 2005. Previously, he worked for the Wm. Wrigley, Jr. Company for thirty-two years at the Wrico Packaging location.



1st Vice President Ed Lieb has spent forty years in the printing and flexible packaging industry, including thirty years in plant management with several corporations. He also spent ten years in division staff assignments. Ed is currently employed by Sonoco Flexible Packaging as manager, Division Technical Services. His experience includes gravure, flexo and letterpress.



2nd Vice President, Jon Reavis is a 1982 graduate of LeTourneau University with a BS Electrical Engineering degree. He has held various positions, both in the US and overseas, in sales, marketing, and management with Honeywell and American Standard-Trane.



In 2002, he joined Inland Label & Marketing Services as VP Process Improvement, focusing on improving efficiencies, workflow, logistics, and overall productivity. In 2004, he became VP Operations, and is currently overseeing the label print production and marketing services distribution business.

Jon has been a converter member of the PLGA Board of Directors since 2004.

SECOND INDUSTRY GRAVURE WEEK

The Gravure Cylinder Users' Group (GCUG) is once again coming along side the PLGA Global to give the Gravure Industry a "**Gravure Week**". The GCUG will be holding their event September 25-27, 2006 at the Omni Hotel in Charlotte, NC. Just as last year, the PLGA Global and the GCUG will hold a joint reception on Wednesday night, September 27 from 6 to 8 P.M. The PLGA will continue with their **Fourth Annual Technical Conference**, also at the Omni Hotel, on September 28th and 29th. Members of the GCUG desiring to attend the PLGA Global program will receive PLGA Global member accommodation. Please contact Jim Lepp, Executive Director, PLGA Global or e-mail jlepp@earthlink.net or Joe Moczynski, President, GCUG e-mail: jmocz@qg.com

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PLGA GLOBAL ESTABLISHES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

by Bill Klein

The Packaging & Label Gravure Association Global has established the PLGA Global Educational Foundation, Inc., a 501 c non-profit foundation. The purpose of the foundation is to expand the educational reach of the PLGA Global through increased scholarship awards to needy students pursuing a higher education in Graphic Arts and to fund specific problem solving and new technology research projects related to the Gravure Process.

Bill Klein, recently retired as Executive Director of PLGA Global, has been elected the Executive Director of the PLGA Global Educational Foundation. Randy Butler, Printpack, will continue as Chairman of an expanded PLGA Global Scholarship Committee overseeing the awarding of student scholarships. Bill Disney of Diversapack will also continue in his role as Chairman of the PLGA's Technical Committee. A call for specific technical projects will be made within the next few months.

UPCOMING PLGA EVENTS

September 27-29, 2006 Fall Technical Conference, "Getting the Details Right"
Omni Hotel, Charlotte, NC

February 21-23, 2007 Tenth PLGA Global Operational Conference,
Radisson Hotel, Miami, FL

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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Bill is a trained economist with a broad background in market research, marketing management, business development and consulting, for over 45 years within the packaging and label industry, covering an extraordinarily wide cross section of label and packaging material suppliers, equipment manufacturers, printers, converters and end users.

In addition to his book, *They Built an Industry*, he has authored numerous articles for trade publications and is widely quoted on a variety of key industry topics. Bill will stay on with the PLGA working in the capacity as the Executive Director of the **PLGA Educational Foundation**. We all wish Bill and Polly good luck in their new role with PLGA.

Dick Chesnut, Editor PLGA Newsletter

A NOTE FROM A PLGA GLOBAL CONFERENCE MODERATOR

by Scott McFall

"I have been fortunate to be on numerous security panels around the world, and I must say this was the finest panel I have ever been on. Thank you for all your hard work and willingness to speak. It was a pleasure to meet you and be with you all."

Scott McFall, Trust Copy Solutions, was Moderator of the "Gravure Addresses Security Issues & Logistics" session at the March 1-3, 2006 PLGA Global Conference in Miami.

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New Type of Partnering:

Of particular interest to many printers was learning how some printers are now partnering with qualified suppliers so the supplier has a stake in the printer's success. These printing companies have realized their own level of expertise in a given area is often not as high as their suppliers. By bringing the qualified expertise of a supplier further in to the manufacturing process, the printer is truly optimizing the supply chain sometimes all the way to the print buyer.

About the PLGA

If you attended the conference, I am sure you agree it was time and money well spent. In the 30 years I have been attending industry conferences and trade shows, I have never participated in a group more dedicated to its purpose. In my experience, the PLGA is and will continue to be a success because it stays focused on issues and topics that are specific and often unique to rotogravure. In addition, its conferences are organized in a way to be both time and cost effective for the widest possible audience. Conferences

begin on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM and conclude on Fridays at noon. Hotels are always chosen so they are a very good value for the area.

This year's attendance was another record-breaker at 250 (compared to 199 in 2005).

73	Printer / Converters
9	Brand Owners
8	Trade Publications
8	Academics
8	Trade Show Representatives
3	Trade Associations
4	PLGA Global staff members
125	Suppliers
47	Table Top Exhibits (36 in 2005)

In an economy in which outside factors increasingly require each of us, converter and supplier alike, to constantly reinvent and redefine our relationship to our customers, it's nice to know there is a meaningful organization like the PLGA. This organization, like no other I know, creates an environment in which all of us dedicated to advancing the rotogravure process will flourish.